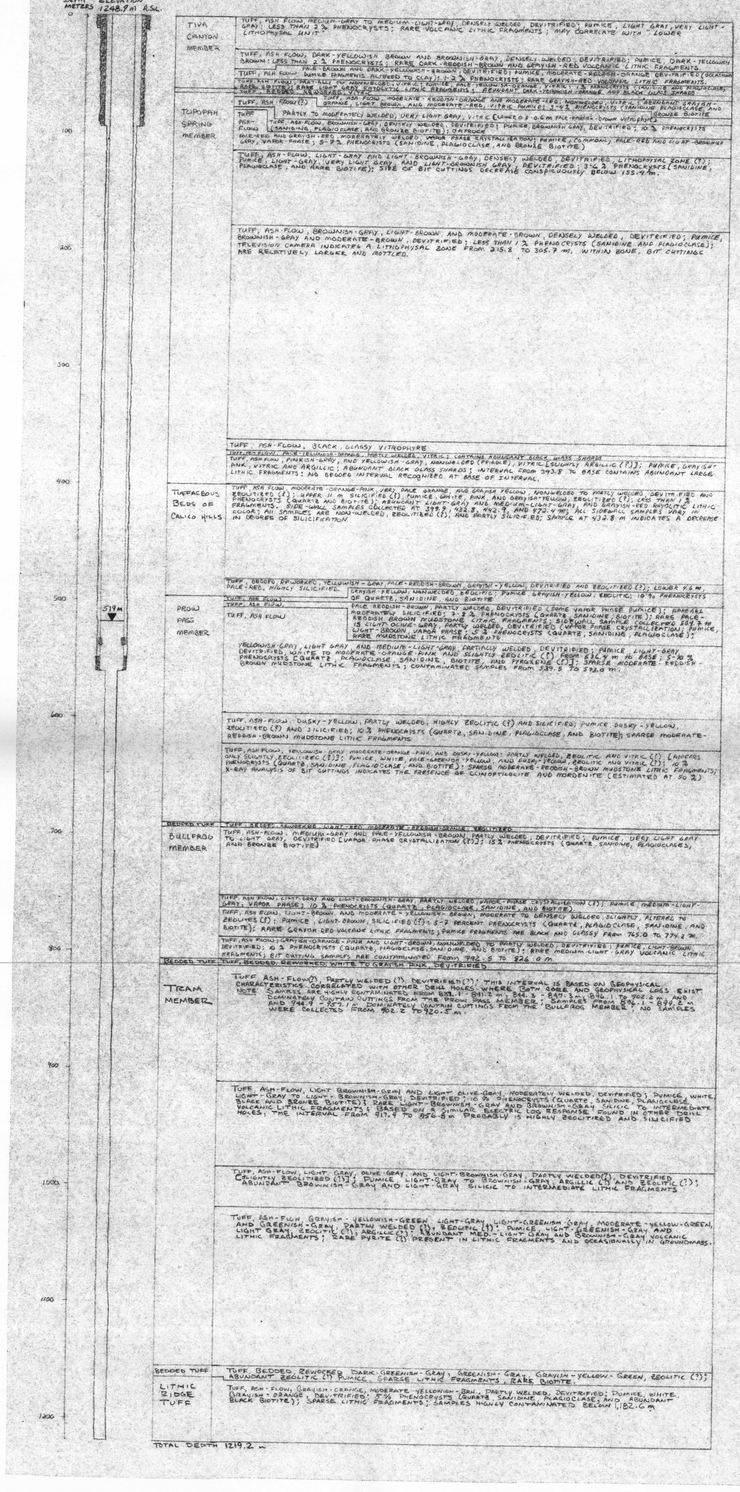
Drill Hole Data USW H-4


Ground Surface Elevation 1248.7 m ASL
Depth Meters
Stratigraphic Unit
Lithologic Description
Tiva Canyon Member
Tuff, ash flow, medium-dark to medium-light-gray, densely welded devitrified pumice, light gray, very light-gray, less than 2 % phenocrysts; rare volcanic lithic fragments; may correlate with lower lithophysal unit
Tuff, ash flow, dark-yellowish brown and brownish-gray, densely welded devitrified; pumice, dark-yellowish brown; less than 2 % phenocrysts; rare dark-reddish-brown and grayish-red volcanic lithic fragments
Tuff, ash flow, dark-yellowish-brown densely welded devitrified; pumice, moderate-reddish-orange (10 R 6/6); less than 2 % phenocrysts
Tuff, ash flow, moderate-reddish-orange (10 R 6/6) densely welded devitrified; pumice, moderate-reddish-orange (10 R 6/6); 1-2 % phenocrysts; dark grayish-red volcanic lithic fragments
Tuff, ash flow, light-gray densely welded devitrified; pumice, very light gray; 1-2 % phenocrysts; volcanic lithic fragments; abundant fine-grained dark-red hematite stains; fracture surfaces commonly coated with hematite
Tuff, reworked ash-fall
Tuff, ash flow(?)
Tuff, ash-flow, moderate reddish-orange (10 R 6/6), nonwelded, vitric-devitrified crystal-poor; partly to moderately welded, very light gray, vitric (shards) 95 %, phenocrysts (sanidine, plagioclase and biotite) 5 %
Tuffaceous Beds of Calico Hills
Tuff, ash-flow, moderate-orange-pink (10 R 7/4) pale orange and orange yellow, nonwelded to partly welded, devitrified and zeolitized (?); upper 11 m silicified (?); pumice, white, pink and orange-yellow; zeolitic (?), less than 2 % phenocrysts (quartz and biotite); abundant dark-gray and medium-light-gray and brownish-red basaltic lithic fragments, some have opaque coatings; at 529.2, 542.3, and 572.4 m; all zeolitic samples vary in color; all spherules are recrystallized, zeolitized (?), and partly silicified; sample at 524.8 m indicates a decrease in degree of silicification
Tuff, densely welded, yellowish-gray pale-brown and orange-yellow, devitrified and zeolitized (?); lower 4.6 m (15 ft) highly silicified
Tuff, ash flow
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Prow Pass Member
Tuff, ash flow
Pale brown-orange partly welded, devitrified, zeolitic; some have fused pumice (?); densely recrystallized; 3-5 % phenocrysts (quartz, sanidine, biotite); rare pale-reddish-brown hematite stains; fracture surfaces commonly coated with hematite
Tuff, ash flow
Yellowish-gray, light gray and medium-light-gray partially welded, devitrified; pumice light-gray, devitrified; white to moderate-orange-pink and slightly zeolitic (?) from 524.7 m to 525.2 m; 2-5 % phenocrysts (quartz, plagioclase, sanidine, biotite, and trachyte (?)); sparse moderate-reddish-brown hematite lithic fragments; contaminated samples from 529.5 to 530.0 m.
Tuff, ash flow, dusky-yellow, partly welded, highly zeolitic (?) and silicified; pumice dusky-yellow, zeolitized (?) and silicified; 10 % phenocrysts (quartz, sanidine, plagioclase and biotite); sparse moderate-reddish-brown hematite lithic fragments
Tuff, ash flow, yellowish-gray, moderate-orange-pink, and dusky-yellow; partly welded, zeolitic and vitric (?) (lapilli and shards zeolitic (?)); pumice, white, pale-greenish-yellow and pale-yellow and vitric (?); 10 % phenocrysts (quartz, sanidine, plagioclase and biotite); sparse moderate-reddish-brown hematite lithic fragments; x-ray analysis of bit cuttings indicates the presence of clinoptilolite and montmorillonite (estimated at 30 %)
Bedded Tuff
Bedded, reworked white to grayish pink, devitrified
Bullfrog Member
Tuff, ash-flow, nonwelded-vitric-zeolitic (?) (lapilli and shards); pumice, very light gray and white, devitrified; 10-15 % phenocrysts (quartz, sanidine, plagioclase, and sparse biotite)
Tuff, ash flow, light-gray and light-brownish-gray, densely welded, devitrified; pumice, very light gray; 1-2 % phenocrysts (quartz, sanidine, plagioclase, and sparse biotite); sparse dusky-red and dusky-yellow lithic fragments; fracture surfaces commonly coated with hematite
Tuff, ash flow, light-gray densely welded